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SUBJECT:ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE--FLUOROCARBON WORK AND THE
UNEP OZONE CONFERENCE

1. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMALLY ADVISED THAT OECD HAS
RESPONDED NEGATIVELY TO THE UNEP INVITATION TO SUBMIT
A PAPER TO THE MARCH OZONE MEETING CONCERNING ITS ACTIVI-
TIES IN THE FLUOROCARBON/OZONE ISSUE. (MANY OTHER
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS RECEIVED SIMILAR INVITATIONS
FROM UNEP.)

2. IN VIEW ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAM ON
ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE REGULATION OF FLUOROCARBONS,
WE ARE NOT CERTAIN WHY RESPONSE TO UNEP WAS NEGATIVE.
THIS PARTICULARLY SO SINCE TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO OTHER
SIMILAR ACTIVITY GOING ON INTERNATIONALLY.

3. PURPOSE OF MARCH UNEP MEETING IS NOT DISCUSS SUB-
STANCE OF PROGRAMS BEING CARRIED OUT, BUT INVENTORY
NATURE AND GOALS OF ONGOING ACTIVITIES SO AS TO SEE WHERE
RESEARCH OR ANALYTICAL GAPS EXIST AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS
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ON FILLING SUCH GAPS. AN OECD REPORT WOULD SEEM APPRO-

PRIATE SO OTHERS CAN BE APPRISED OF WHAT THE ECONOMIC/
CHEMICAL WORK PROGRAM IS TRYING TO DO, AND THUS BE AWARE
OF ONE MORE PIECE OF VERY COMPLICATED INTERNATIONAL PUZZLE.

4. MISSION REQUESTED RAISE PRECEDING POINT WITH APPRO-
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